

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court

Mission:

Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts differ from other courts in their duty to protect the confidentiality and privacy of juveniles coming before the Court and in their commitment to rehabilitate those who come before the Court, in addition to protecting the public, and holding juvenile offenders accountable for their actions. This Court handles cases involving:

- Delinquents and juveniles accused of traffic violations,
- Children in need of services and supervision and children who have been subjected to abuse or neglect,
- Family or household members who have been subjected to abuse,
- Adults accused of child abuse or neglect, or of offenses against members of their own family (juvenile or adult),
- Adults involved in disputes concerning the support, visitation, parentage, or custody of a child,
- Abandonment of children and foster care and entrustment agreements,
- Court-ordered rehabilitation services, and
- Court consent for certain medical treatments.

Goals:

- To process all case papers in an accurate and timely manner, keep Court records and provide information to the people involved in a case, to the extent permitted by law.
- To work with and assist all law enforcement agencies, as well as other agencies, in the effective flow of all cases before the Court.
- To process money received and transmit to the proper authority.
- To maintain effective and time-efficient scheduling practices.

Implementation Strategies for FY2005:

- To improve its services to the community.
- To plan for the projected growth of the County, to include population, commercialism and tourism, and its effect on the Court system.
- The Clerk's office staff will be completing extensive training on legal advice guidelines as well as additional computer training.

Budget Issues:

- In FY2001, funding increased to expand the filing system and for upgrades of current computers, matched by State funds.
- In FY2002, funding increased for equipment and continued expansion of the filing system.
- In FY2003, funding decreased due to the completion of the filing system.
- For FY2005, additional funding is approved to replace a copier.

General Fund Expenditures	FY2001 Actual Expenditures	FY2002 Actual Expenditures	FY2003 Actual Expenditures	FY2004 Original Budget	FY2004 Expected Appropriations	FY2005 Adopted Budget
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Contractual Services	6,131	6,107	6,811	8,500	8,500	8,550
Internal Services	544	243	405	1,000	1,000	1,000
Other Charges	3,931	4,112	2,756	4,700	4,700	4,000
Materials & Supplies	2,599	3,814	2,511	3,100	3,100	3,300
Capital Outlay	<u>7,641</u>	<u>1,872</u>	<u>2,312</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,300</u>
Activity Total	<u>20,846</u>	<u>16,148</u>	<u>14,795</u>	<u>17,300</u>	<u>17,300</u>	<u>20,150</u>
Percentage Change	30.34%	-22.54%	-8.38%	16.93%	N/A	16.47%

FTE's

Management	-	-	-	-	-	-
Professional/Technical	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admin/Clerical	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trades & Crafts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

